(d) whether Government propose to make elaborate changes at the railway stations in Delhi, and if so, by when?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD): (a) Yes, Sir, at New Delhi Railway Station.

(b) The following steps are being taken to control crowd at New Delhi Railway Station:

(i) Restriction on issue of platform tickets.

(ii) Limiting, to the extent possible, the stacking of parcels and RMS bags on the passenger platforms.

(iii) Preparation of a Master Plan to develop terminal facilities at other stations in Delhi.

In addition, it is also proposed to make alterations in the foot-over-bridges at New Delhi station.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Yes, Sir. A Master Plan has been developed. No target date has been fixed.

## पुराने रेलवे पुल

908. **श्रीमती रत्न कुमारी** : क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) देश में इस समय 50 वर्ष से अधिक पुराने रेलवे पुल कितने हैं ;

(ख) क्या ये पुल इनसे गुजरने वाली गाड़ियों के भार को वहन करने की क्षमता रखते हैं ; और

(ग) क्या इन पुलों के नवीकरण का कोई प्रस्ताव सरकार के विचाराधीन है ?

**रेल मंत्रालय में उप मंत्री (श्री महाबीर प्रसाद)** : (क) ऐसे लगभग 81,500 पुल हैं ।

(ख) जी, हां ।

(ग) प्रति वर्ष सभी रेल पुलों का निरीक्षण किया जाता है और आवश्यकता पाये जाने पर मरम्मत की जाती है । जिन पुलों की हालत खस्ता हो जाती है उन्हें कार्यक्रम के आधार पर फिर से बनाया जाता है या उन की विशेष रूप से मरम्मत करके पुनः स्थापित कर दिया जाता है ।

## Development of Chitrakoot as Tourist Resort

909. SHRI SURENDRA SINGH THAKUR: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Central Government have taken steps to develop Chitrakoot as a tourist resort exposed to national and international tourist in view of its close proximity to Khajuraho;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) if the reply to part (a) above be in the negative, how do Government propose to extend facilities to the national and international tourists visiting Khajuraho to cover up Chitrakoot during their visit; and

(d) what facilities have been provided by Government to tourists in Chitrakot to attract their attention?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) to (d) Yes, Sir. With a view to providing accommodation facilities to tourists visiting Chitrakoot the Central Department of Tourism has constructed a Yatrika through the Bharatiya Yatri Awas Vikas Samiti. In addition, Department has drawn up plans in consultation with the Governments of Madhya Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh to develop a new travel circuit in the

Region which will include Khajuraho, Chitrakoot and other tourist attractions in the nearby areas.

**Flying of Boeing 737 Aircraft without Insignia**

910. SHRI SHIV PRATAP MISHRA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have completed inquiry into the incident of flying without insignia by Indian Airlines of a leased Boeing 737 aircraft of U.S.A. from Dubai to India on 11th April, 1989 which was mistaken by Air Force to be an enemy plane; and

(b) if so, what are the details of the inquiries made?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) and (b) The incident is under investigation.

911. [*Transferred to the 4th May, 1989*]

**Floating of Rail Bonds**

912. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indian Railways Finance Corporation is likely to float rail bonds during the current financial year;

(b) if so, what are the salient features of the proposed bonds; and

(c) in what manner the money is proposed to be utilised?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The rate of interest and other aspects of the proposed Bonds will be decided in consultation with the Controller of Capital Issues, Ministry of Finance.

(c) The Money so raised will be utilised for procurement of assets to be used on the Railways.

913. [*Transferred to the 4th May, 1989*]

**Delay in the Delivery of Soviet Planes**

914. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Soviet Union appears to have gone back on its agreement to provide two aircrafts on lease to Indian Airlines;

(b) if so, whether the delivery schedule for the aircrafts was first week of March;

(c) if so, whether this delivery has not taken place; and

(d) if so, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) to (d) No firm delivery schedule was included in the lease agreement between Indian Airlines and M/s. Aeroflot of USSR for wet leasing of one TU-154 and one IL-62M aircraft. While one TU-154 aircraft has already been received by Indian Airlines on the 13th of April, 1989, one IL-62M aircraft is expected to be delivered to Indian Airlines shortly.

**Credit by Japanese Banks for Purchase of Airbus**

915. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether 12 Japanese banks have extended credit to Indian Airlines for purchase of 19 Airbuses;

(b) if so, what is the total aid provided;